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A BREACH OF FAITH

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CHAPTER I.

There was a prayer meeting at Lars Steenerud's farm. The sitting room was crowded with people, and all around the open windows eager listeners were standing, straining their ears to catch the words that fell from the preacher's lips. A current of foul, moist air, charged with the odor of human exhalations, poured out into the hallway where men and women stood packed together like herring in a barrel. Outside in the farm yard some small boys, now and then forgetting the solemnity of the occasion, fell to punching and teasing each other, and were sternly rebuked by their elders as soon as their altercations became audible. Half a dozen young girls in calico gowns and colored kerchiefs on their heads made a feint of listening to the fervid discourse of which a phrase now and then reached them, but watched furtively the unregenerate behavior of the boys, and snickered whenever one got the better of the other.

"Oh, ye generation of vipers," shouted the preacher in a terrific voice of warning and menace, "who shall teach you to flee from the wrath to come?"

The boys, supposing the admonition was addressed to them, grew quite alarmed, and seating themselves on a log in front of the wood shed, in various awkward attitudes, glanced at each other with a half cowed and shame faced bravado. But they presently forgot their scare, and then commenced anew the same punching and pinching and challenging brag which led to fresh quarrels.

"I know where there is a skunk," said Thorsten Slotten, a tow headed, freckled and chunky lad of 13.

"I saw a drunk man yesterday," observed Gunnar Matson, promptly accepting the challenge.

He was a tall, handsome youth of 14, whose coat sleeves and trousers were much too short for him.

"My father has a cousin who is in jail," retorted Thorsten, determined not to be beaten.

"But my father killed a man in Norway," cried Gunnar triumphantly.

"That's a lie in your throat."

"It is no such thing."

In a flash they had both tumbled down from the log, grappled, and, swaying to and fro, fought like tigers. The other boys, wholly oblivious of the prayer meeting, yelled with delight and shouted encouragement to the combatants, while the girls on the steps faced about quickly and strove no more to disguise their interest. Even the devout people about the windows began to gravitate slowly toward the scene of the conflict, and a vague sense of the disturbance communicated itself within the sitting room, where the penitents began to look back over their shoulders and ceased to follow the discourse.

This flattering attention spurred the boys to do their best. They pulled each other's hair and ears, planted blow upon blow in each other's foreheads, tried to "hook" each other's legs, and resorted to [illegible] self-defense. But they were pretty evenly matched, Thorsten making up in brawn what he lacked in size. They were yet in the midst of the fierce struggle, and both heroically determined not to give up when suddenly a tall, matronly woman was seen pushing her way through the crowd. Without undignified excitement, but with a stern, set face which was much more awful, she swooped down upon the unsuspecting Gunnar, grabbed him by the collar of his coat, shook him as if he had been a bag of straw and carried him off in disgrace. He strove in a half hearted way to exhibit a hilarity which he was far from feeling, and the forced grin of mocking jollity which he turned toward the disappointed spectators was rather pathetic than cheerful. It did not occur to him to make any resistance, however. He allowed himself to be dragged meekly as a lamb through the crowd in the hall into the stuffy sitting room, where the foul air soon sobered his combative zeal.

"Now," whispered his mother, giving him a little admonitory shake, "listen to the word of God and repent of your wickedness."

The boy tried hard to listen and still harder to repent, but strive as he might his thought would revert to the fight. He regretted bitterly that it had been interrupted before he had triumphed over his enemy. He saw plainly now where he had neglected an opportunity to trip Thorsten up, and he wished he could have had the chance over again.

The parson in the meanwhile was thundering away, threatening his parishioners with eternal damnation if they departed from the pure Lutheran faith or sent their children to the "godless" American schools. He was a young man of somewhat squatty figure, inclined to stoutness, with a fat flushed face and short stubby hands, covered on the backs with coarse brown hair. His head too had a dense growth of the same adornment, parted on the left side, but a few tufts of rebellious hair stood straight up on the crown and at the parting. Though he had shaved in the morning the brown beard root was more than visible on his chin. His nose and mouth too had a touch of coarseness, and his whole appearance made the impression of a man in whom the old Adam was strong, though probably kept in proper discipline.

"No doctrine has plunged more souls into hell, my brethren"—thus ran his impassioned discourse—"than that seductive saying, invented by the devil himself, that every man is saved by his own faith—that is, that any faith, whether false or true, has the power to save. Why then have ye called ministers of the true faith—the pure and undiluted Lutheran faith—to instruct you here in your Babylonic exile, if Methodist or Baptist or Unitarian doctrines perhaps might do just as well? I declare unto you, brethren in the Lord, you are a little faithful band of the elect in the midst of this land of Egyptian darkness, and unless you hold together, stand by each other and the pure Lutheran faith, and hold aloof from all intercourse with the pestiferous sectaries who infest the region round about us, ye will imperil your soul's salvation. Ye can no longer plead ignorance, for I have forewarned you in the name of the Lord. And beware lest, though you yourselves remain faithful, your children go astray. Siren voices of temptation besiege their hearts from all sides. Remember, you will be called to account for them on the last day. The prospect of wealth, political office and influence and a high seat in the synagogues may lure them away from the simple faith and simple virtues of their fathers. But I tell you ye have to choose between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of Mammon. What will it profit you on the last day to have been American legislators or sheriffs or county clerks, or to have learned the English language, of which some are so foolishly proud? What will it profit you, I ask, in the sight of him who demandeth not foreign languages, but truth in the inmost parts."

The pastor continued for another half hour in this strain, warning his hearers in the most impressive language that they could not learn the English language or hold intercourse with Americans without running a grave risk of eternal damnation. He elaborated his theme with great ingenuity and ended with an appeal for the endowment of a parochial school under the direct supervision and control of the Norwegian Lutheran synod. He finished this appeal with a long and fervid prayer, in which he besought God to save his people from the abominations of desolation—from the unhallowed and soul destroying dance around the Golden Calf, which was, forsooth, the god of the heretical, mammon worshiping nation wherewith it had pleased him to surround them.

The meeting was then at an end, and the pastor devoted himself for another hour to private solicitation, buttonholing one by one the well to do members of the church, and refusing to let them go until they had pledged themselves in writing for an amount which he thought fair. If any one, knowing that his turn would come next, tried to steal away unobserved the zealous clergyman dexterously intercepted him, and shamed him with appeals to his pride and his fear until he had contributed his quota.

When he approached the Widow Matson, who had made no attempt to escape, Gunnar thought with fear and trembling that now "he was in for it." He was therefore astonished when the pastor grasped his hard and cracked fist in his soft, moist hand, and asked, with a kind of harsh friendliness how he was getting on. The boy was afraid to commit himself on so ticklish a subject and looked up into his mother's face, as if expecting her to answer.

"Oh, God help us, Mr. Pastor," the widow replied, "he isn't getting on at all. The spirit of the world, the flesh and the devil is strong in him. He does not think of God, Mr. Pastor, but only of quarreling and sinful fooling and deviltry."

"I am sorry to hear such bad reports of you, Gunnar," observed the pastor with a warning shake of the head.

"He actually fought during the meeting," the mother continued; "fought with fists till blood flowed."

She made an effort to get hold of the boy's left hand, which he now discovered was quite bloody. But the delinquent thrust it guiltily into his pocket and made an effort to retire behind his mother's back. She talked on for some minutes, lamenting his wickedness, not, however, in the usual whining voice of a complaining woman, but in a tone of stern accusation. She scarcely observed that the pastor's replies showed but a faint interest in the subject, and that he was more than once on the point of interrupting her.

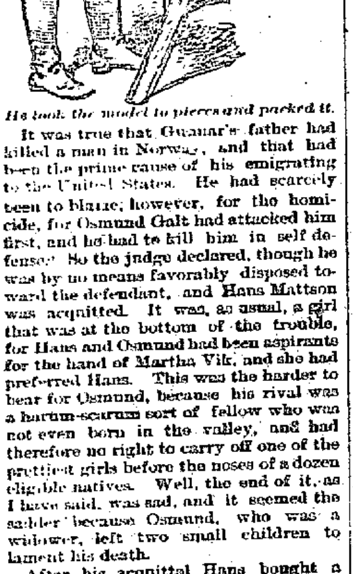
"Well, well, my good woman," he broke in impatiently, "we'll talk more about that another time. What I came to ask you about concerns, however, your boy very closely. How much are you willing to contribute to the school which we are about to found, where youths of our church can be brought up in accordance with the true Lutheran faith?"

"I am a widow, pastor, and earn in which we require to keep body and soul together."

"The widow's mite, you remember, was particularly acceptable in the eyes of our Lord," said the pastor with unction.

There was no gainsaying such an argument, and after a moment's hesitation the widow pledged herself for $5. But she could not be persuaded to promise to send her boy to the school; first, because he was not to be trusted away from her, and secondly, because she needed his help on the farm.

CHAPTER II.



He took the model to pieces and packed it.

It was true that Gunnar's father had killed a man in Norway, and that had been the prime cause of his emigrating to the United States. He had scarcely been to blame, however, for the homicide, for Osmund Galt had attacked him first, and he had to kill him in self defense. So the judge declared, though he was by no means favorably disposed toward the defendant, and Hans Mattson was acquitted. It was, as usual, a girl that was at the bottom of the trouble, for Hans and Osmund had been aspirants for the hand of Martha Vik, and she had preferred Hans. This was the harder to bear for Osmund, because his rival was a harum-scarum sort of fellow who was not even born in the valley, and had therefore no right to carry off one of the prettiest girls before the noses of a dozen eligible natives. Well, the end of it, as I have said, was sad, and it seemed the sadder because Osmund, who was a widower, left two small children to lament his death.

After his acquittal Hans bought a ticket for New York, and the story was told (though some pretended to doubt it) that Martha followed him to Christiania and met him on board the steamer when land was out of sight. She was desperately in love with him, people said. However that may be, sure it was that they were married by a Lutheran missionary in New York, and during the same spring took homestead land in Minnesota. But somehow Hans did not turn out as good a farmer as his wife had expected. He worked by fits and starts, but was more interested in learning English than in burning stumps. Nearly every cent he had brought with him went for live stock and agricultural implements, and when, after a miserable summer in a dugout, a simple log house was completed and sheds were built for the cattle they had to mortgage the farm in order to meet expenses. Then Gunnar was born, and things went straight for awhile. Hans took hold of the farm work in good earnest and met the first payment on the mortgage, but then he lapsed into meditation again, and his old restlessness got the upper hand.

He had an idea that if he could break away from his countrymen and all Norse associations he had a fair chance of winning fame and fortune among the Americans. He broached the idea cautiously to his wife, who was so terrified at it that he repented of having spoken. She tried to make him promise never to entertain such a preposterous plan. That he refused to do, however, but he grew moody and silent, tinkered at a model for an improved threshing machine which he had invented, and lost all interest in the farm. When this had gone on for a couple of years Martha concluded that his case was hopeless, and she changed her tactics and began to urge him to go. If that was the only way to secure his happiness she would no longer stand in his way. And so one day he took the model to pieces, and packed it, with some clean shirts and socks which Martha had made for him, into his knapsack, and started off for the nearest railway station, which was forty miles distant. That was the last Martha or her son had seen of him. Half a dozen letters arrived, to be sure, at long intervals during the first year of his absence, but they told only of mishaps, disappointments and privations. Martha wrote urging him to return, but there was always something new to try, always some tempting prospect which bade him take heart and not give up the battle. If this proved delusive he would acknowledge him a failure, return to the Norse settlement and hide his head in the chimney corner.

It was now twelve years since the last letter was received, and Martha took it for granted that her husband was dead. She had tried to institute inquiries, advertised for him in the Scandinavian paper, etc., but with no results. Several settlers had proposed for her hand during this time, but though she regarded herself as a widow she had refused all offers. A large settlement had grown up about her, and in a circuit of twenty or thirty miles the country was largely in possession of Norwegians. They did all in their power to keep out other nationalities from their immediate neighborhood, and vented particularly their hostility on the Irish if a representative of that race dug a hole in the ground, and staked out a homestead on land which they had reserved for the occupation of their brethren in the faith. German Protestants they tolerated, though they were far from liking them, but the community of religion restrained them from active hostilities. And, moreover the Germans were no less clannish than the Norsemen themselves—congregating in communities of their own, and rarely from choice encroaching upon Scandinavian precincts.

In the meanwhile a church had been built—a simple frame structure, and about as ugly as could have been devised—and a clergyman had been called over from Norway. An ex-theological student named Salveson, formerly addicted to drink, but now ostensibly reformed, roamed about the country, giving instruction of an antiquated sort in reading, writing, arithmetic and Bible history. He was an odd stick—a typical wreck of the kind the old world is continually contributing to the new, but for all his failings he was well received wherever he went, and had free board and lodging ad libitum on any Norse farm he chose to visit. When he retired with a black bottle or two to some remote spot people let him alone, and received him on his return after two or three days with undiminished cordiality. He was not in the best condition for [illegible]sions; but then, in a new country where scholars were scarce, no one could afford to be exacting.

Widow Matson, who was anxious to have her son profit by Salveson's accomplishments, induced him to stay for months at a time at her farm, and kindly overlooked his periodical disappearances and his demoralized aspect when he crawled forth anew to resume his labors. It was enough for her that the pastor indorsed Salveson, who in spite of his unhappy proclivities was perfectly orthodox, and truly and purely Lutheran. Gunnar, on the other hand, was inclined to take a critical view of him, but found his instruction on the whole, amusing. Salveson always smoked a long pipe when he taught, and his rubicund nose gleamed through the smoke while he spoke of Norway's past glory and the great deeds of the Vikings. Often he grew quite excited, scratched his tousled head and wiped away the tears that trickled down his cheeks.

"Thank God on your knees that you were born a Norseman, boy," he would say, "for he might just as well have made you a miserable Deutschman or Englishman or American. We are the proudest nation on earth, or we ought to be, if we would read our history aright. There wasn't anybody could lick those old Vikings. They conquered Normandy, a mere handful of them, and when the king of France wanted Duke Rollo to kiss his confounded toe—think of it, he, a Norseman, kiss a Frenchman's toe—Rollo simply took him by the foot and quietly turned him upside down. Served him right, the fool! And when they had gobbled up France these very same fellows—or I think it was their grandchildren—sailed over and put England in their pockets. Ho! ho! That was a neat job, wasn't it?"

And thus the poor drunken sot, with his bad teeth, frowsy head and dirty hands, would sit by the hour and with hysterical eloquence glory in the deeds of his ancestors. He was so proud of being a Norseman, though a drunk one, that he forgot all present misery in the sense of his historical grandeur. A Norseman drunk, he once declared, was a better fellow than a Deutschman or an Englishman or an American sober.

Gunnar accepted this and other similar declarations in good faith, and never questioned his own superiority by virtue of his Norse blood to all the foreign babel that surrounded him. He heard continually the same story from the pastor and all the neighbors. Anecdotes were told at every social gathering illustrating the money greed of the Americans and their unscrupulous attempts to cheat the guileless immigrants. The settlement, which was now large and prosperous, had a sense of comfortable solidarity and compactness as a snug little Norway, safely hedged in and diked against the wild ocean of infidelity, strife and vice, which roared in vain against its defences.

CHAPTER III.

Gunnar lived in this state of idyllic satisfaction until he was 17 years old. At least he tried hard to persuade himself that he was content. And yet there would be times when a sudden disgust would possess him, and the future that was in store for him would seem pitiful and mean. Though a half superstitious dread of the great world that surrounded him had been impressed upon him from his earliest years, and stories of disaster consequent upon a desire to explore it had been dinned into his ears, he could not suppress a restless yearning to take the dangerous plunge, if only to test his skill as a swimmer. The great deeds of his ancestors, which Salveson had recounted to him in more or less distorted versions, had set his blood coursing at a rapider tempo, and vague visions of glory, gorgeous and unsubstantial like clouds at sunset, inflamed his imagination.

But, on the other hand, there was his father's fate to deter him. He might have lived quietly and contentedly, as God had meant him to do, if he had not allowed himself to be lured by the temptation to gather riches and make himself great in the eyes of the world. That was what his mother had said when she told him of the troubles his father's restless ambition had caused her, and his scornful rejection of her prudent counsels. She strove now with all her might to draw the boy toward her, and the more, perhaps, because she divined in him the same spirit as that which had led her husband astray. She was not a soft woman who could speak glibly of her sentiments. But the dread, like an icy hand clutching at her heart, which took possession of her at the thought of losing him revealed to her how deeply she loved him. She would have given much to have the language of affection readily on her tongue, but somehow it was denied her. And if, at this late day, she adopted caressing ways and endearing terms of address, she feared the resulting awkwardness both on his part and on hers. The tone of intercourse between them had been established by long habit, and strive as she might she could not now alter it.

Outwardly things were going along smoothly enough. The widow, by dint of tireless energy and skill, had worked up the farm until it fed them comfortably, and she had paid off the mortgage. Her chief concern now was to get Gunnar safely married, or at least engaged. He was, to be sure, very young, but not too young to feel a vague perturbation of his blood at the sight of a pretty girl. The great thing was to get him securely anchored, and as an anchor for a restless disposition she knew nothing that availed except a wife and children.

Gunnar, though he had no suspicion of his mother's plans, was insensibly drawn in the direction of her wishes. About a mile from his home lived a Norwegian farmer named Paul Gretna, who had a daughter named Ingerid. She was about Gunnar's age, or perhaps a year younger, and had a reputation for beauty. She was a soft, dimpled little creature, with affectionate blue eyes, a fresh infantine face and a rosy complexion. It was difficult to tell from that face what manner of woman she might grow to be; but it was fair to infer that she would make a comfortable wife and a good mother. She was a blonde and attractive personification of her sex; and that is, after all, what most men want their wives to be. A too distinct individuality is often an element of disturbance.

Gunnar was, indeed, not the only one who had discovered Ingerid's attractiveness. His old friend and antagonist, Thorsten Slotten, with whom he had fought at the prayer meeting, was a frequent visitor at the Gretna farm, as were also half a dozen other lads, who made no attempt to disguise their admiration for the daughter of the house.

They came every Sunday afternoon after service, hung about the fences and the walls of the outhouses, pushed and punched each other, laughed uproariously when somebody stumbled or fell, and behaved with a sort of coltish sprightliness which was calculated to exhibit them in a favorable light in the eyes of Ingerid Gretna. Gunnar, though he felt himself above indulging in this [illegible] popularity by holding aloof. It flattered him to observe that he was regarded by all as having the best chance; and he had to keep a steady watch on himself, lest he should offend by betraying the confidence he felt. For Paul Gretna had made more than one visit to his mother of late, and Gunnar had a suspicion that the matter had already been talked over and virtually settled between them. At all events, he imagined he detected something vaguely paternal in Paul's attitude toward him, as if he thought it unnecessary to feign ignorance of his intentions. But on such occasions Gunnar drew back as if afraid to commit himself. For in the background of his mind he liked to keep a little loophole in case he should, after all, conclude to start out in the world in quest of glory.

This was the condition of things at the time when the farmer Lars Randkleven invited his neighbors to celebrate his wedding with Karen Holtsrud. It was a large wedding, and both Gunnar and his mother and Ingerid and her parents received invitations. The pastor married the couple in the church at noon, and about forty vehicles of all sorts accompanied them to the bridal house. All the picturesque customs which in Norway make such an occasion memorable had been dropped; but a master of ceremonies there was, who welcomed the bride and groom and proposed their health at the feast that followed. Beer flowed abundantly at the table, and whisky was poured from pocket flasks which were passed about from hand to hand with a mock pretense of secrecy. The pastor, who sat next to the bride at the head of the table, was so deeply absorbed in the eatables, to which he did full justice, that he affected not to see the dangerous bottles that circulated under his very nose. As it happened Gunnar found himself next to a city clad stranger in black broadcloth, resplendent with a gold watch (which he frequently consulted) and rings and watch chain of the same metal. This man turned out to be a near relative of the groom and a prosperous grocer in Chicago. His name was Hans Larsen, but in order to propitiate the native ear he had changed it to John Lawson. And what was more, he wore a mustache, with a smart twist at the ends, and a shiny silk hat. His square face showed the Norse peasant type plainly enough, but the expression had been sharpened, showing a shrewdness and wide awake enterprise which are rarely found in the original.

"What is your name, if I may ask?" inquired this dazzling individual, addressing himself to Gunnar.

"Gunnar Matson."

"Whose son are you?"

"I am the son of Hans Matson, but he's dead long ago."

"Hans Matson? What year did he come to the United States?"

"In 1864, I think."

"Exactly. I knew him. He came in the Cunarder Liberia."

"I think he did. Mother has mentioned the name of that ship."

"And he is dead, you say?"

"Yes."

"When did he die?"

"About 1867 or 1868."

"I beg your pardon, but there you are wrong, for I am pretty sure I met him in Chicago in 1871."

Gunnar gave a start which came near upsetting his chair. He stared at Lawson with a perplexed, incredulous gaze.

"Are—are you sure of it?" he managed at last to stammer.

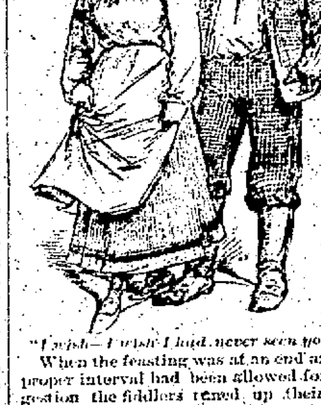
"Cock sure; though I own he was much changed. His name—now what was his name? Blasted if I haven't forgotten it."

"I wish you'd try to remember," the young man urged tremulously. Lawson [illegible] with a puzzled frown on his face, as if he was trying hard to recall the name.

Gunnar, his eyes dilated with eagerness, dropped his knife and fork and glanced anxiously at his mother, who was conducting a sober conversation on the prospects of the crops with a neighboring farmer.

"I'll be parboiled if I can get hold of that name," ejaculated the grocer in pretended vexation. "It was rather a queer name. Probably it will occur to me one of these days, and then I'll let you know."

CHAPTER IV.



"I wish—I wish I had never seen you."

When the feasting was at an end and a proper interval had been allowed for digestion the fiddlers tuned up their instruments and the dance commenced. The girls, in fresh calico and muslin dresses, stood squeezed together in the hall, giggling and whispering. Somebody among them was awfully witty, and made sarcastic observations on the men, which made the rest nearly explode with laughter. The young lads hung about the outskirts of the crowd, advanced and again retired with a sheepish air, as their courage failed them. The teasing encouragement of their friends and rivals, no less than the suppressed merriment of the girls, made them shrink from the decisive step.

This was the situation when Gunnar and John Lawson came sauntering through the hall in earnest conversation. The grocer, seeing the girls, suddenly lost his interest in Hans Matson's disappearance, and with a jaunty air strolled up to the blushing throng.

"My, my, how pretty we are," he exclaimed with an exaggerated mock admiration, rolling his eyes toward the ceiling and making absurd grimaces. "I wonder who is the prettiest of you, for I mean to have the prettiest or none."

He gently pushed himself into the midst of the crowd, while the girls drew back about him, laughing at his delightful wit. Some pushed back and thus it happened that Ingerid Gretna was thrust right into Lawson's arms, which promptly closed about her waist. She was seriously annoyed and tugged and pulled to get herself free.

"Gently, gently, my beauty," said Lawson. "I won't bite you, my dear. You needn't be afraid of John Lawson."

But she was afraid all the same, and cast imploring glances at Gunnar, who stood by, looking at the scene without thought of interfering. [illegible] Lawson," begged the girl with a flushed, excited face. "I do wish you'd let me go."

There was a petulant annoyance in her voice which Lawson interpreted as mere mock modesty, and even when the tears started to her eyes he could not persuade himself that she was in earnest.

"Why, I do really believe we are crying," he said in surprise. "Well, well; you won't even dance with me?"

"I am engaged to dance the first dance with Gunnar Matson," cried Ingerid, resorting to a bold fiction in her anxiety to escape from the odious fellow's arms.

Gunnar, starting up as from a dream at the sound of his name, stood for an instant irresolute, but as soon as he took in the situation stepped forward and released the girl.

"You must excuse me, Mr. Lawson," he said, without the least excitement, "but since this is my dance you'll have to be content with the next."

He had no desire at all to dance, but of course when a girl appealed to him in distress he could not consult his own inclination. Lawson, who was not at all a bad fellow, gave an awkward laugh, and grabbed hold of the next girl in the crowd, who proved to be less skittish. The ice was now broken, and the other lads, overcoming their bashfulness, started forward with one accord and swung a dozen more girls out upon the floor.

Gunnar, when he had once begun to move to the rhythm of the music, felt a kind of intoxication in his blood, and he danced with a vehemence which must have taxed his partner's strength. There was a battle raging within him. This sweet, blonde, trustful girl whom he held in his arms, who responded so radiantly to every glance he sent her—she was his Norse past, and his Norse future, too—small aims and endeavors, an idyllic resignation and contentment in small things—a narrow concentration of interest upon food, clothes and petty economies, relieved by a little theological squabbling about the pure Lutheran faith. Even though such a life was all for which he had a right to aspire, would it ever satisfy him? The flashy grocer, Lawson, appeared to Gunnar the very incarnation of success, and his jaunty bearing represented an unattainable ideal of manners. Why should not he too enter the race, and though he might not reach such an eminence as that of Lawson, why should he not content himself with a smaller measure of success?

The parson said he would imperil his soul's salvation. Well, his pure Lutheran could not be worth much if in order to keep it undiluted he had to seclude himself from all the rest of the world and avoid contact with those who believed otherwise than he. He had hitherto accepted the parson's reasoning, or rather he had never thought of doubting its soundness. But now a new question arose: Was it not his duty to start out into the world and find his father, or at all events ascertain whether he was alive or dead?

All these thoughts kept whirling confusedly in Gunnar's brain while he danced, and when finally the music ceased he conducted his fair partner out into the yard in order that the breeze might cool her off. She noticed his seriousness, and thinking he disapproved of the little fib by which she had gotten rid of Lawson she began to ponder a little speech intended to put her misdemeanor in the most favorable light.

"I hope you are not angry with me," she said, looking up into his face with a smile, intent upon mollification.

"Oh, no, why should I?" he answered half absently.

"Because—because—I wanted to get rid of that city fellow," she faltered, begging forgiveness with her large innocent eyes.

"Oh, don't bother about that," he ejaculated ungraciously.

"I can't help bothering about it, that is, unless you'll be nice and speak to me as you used to."

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Gunnar gave a laugh, and looked down at Ingerid's dimpled face with amused tenderness.

"How did I use to speak to you?" he asked smiling.

(Continued next week.)

IT WILL LESSEN TAXES.

From the National Tribune.

In their mendacious howl about the burden laid upon the tax-payers by the Disability bill, the soldier-hating papers carefully keep from their readers one important fact, to wit, that the bill really lessens local taxes to a large amount.

At last accounts there were fully 20,000 disabled veterans of the Union in the poor houses of the country. Besides these there must be thousands more dependent fathers, mothers, widows and orphans of soldiers, who will be taken out and placed in their homes by the beneficent action of the Disability bill. Each year would have seen the number of these greatly increase, as old age made its sad inroads upon the health and strength of these relics of the war.

Every Township, County, City and State Treasury will be relieved of a burden by the Deficiency bill, because it will take the burden of supporting these deserving people from the overtaxed local treasuries, and place it where it belongs—on the strong box of the Nation. The veterans did not fight for their Townships, Counties, Cities or State, but for the whole Nation. Consequently, their communities should not be burdened with taking care of them and their dependent ones, but the country, which received the benefit of their services and sacrifices.

The Government's income is not a burden to the people. Its revenues do not take the shape of taxes—are not taxes in fact, but exactions for their own benefit. No man is conscious of being assessed by the Government. It is the reverse with local taxation. There the money is taken directly from the pockets of the people, and they feel every cent they pay. Local taxation is everywhere a burden, and whatever lightens it is a direct relief. The money that will be saved to the local treasuries by the Government assuming the care of the thousands now supported by them can be well used for numberless improvements which the people desire to make, but hesitate to for fear of increasing their already high taxation.

LITERARY NOTES.

THE *Forum* for September will contain a political essay on "Money Interests in Political Affairs," by E. L. Godkin, editor New York *Evening Post*, in which Mr. Godkin traces to the growth of protection the enormous and alarming increase of the influence of money in politics, which he regards as the most important political fact of our time. In the same number Senator John T. Morgan, of Alabama, replies to Senator Chandler's recent article on "The Federal Control of Elections." Other articles in this number will be "The Training of Teachers," by President G. Stanley Hall, of Clark University; "The Christianity of the Future," by Professor John S. Blakie, of Edinburgh, Scotland; "The Latest Astronomical News," by Professor Charles A. Young, of Princ[illegible] by Lieut. John P. Finley; as well as articles by Simon Sterne, Edward Everett Hale, James E. Murdock, M. S. Savage, and Alice E. Ives.

THE WONDERFUL CONGO RIVER.

For our knowledge of the dimensions and navigable lengths of the Congo, the largest, and, next to the Nile, the longest African river, the world is indebted almost entirely to Mr. Stanley, its discoverer, and the founder of the great Free State within its basin. According to Mr. Stanley, the Congo is more than 3,000 miles long; and in size and volume the second river of the world, the first being presumably the Amazon. Like the Nile, the Congo has one stretch of uninterrupted navigation 1,000 miles long between Stanley Pool and Stanley Falls. Unfortunately for commerce, however, this magnificent stretch of water is separated from the sea by a series of insurmountable cataracts that compel a portage of 235 miles, or two portages of 35 and 50 miles and many transfers. The largest of all African rivers, and probably the most valuable from a commercial point of view, more promptly and more emphatically than any of the others forbids the upward progress of the steamer. From "African River and Lake Systems," by Thomas Stevens in September *Scribner*.

"A SUCCESSFUL MAN" is the title of what is probably the brightest American story—typically American—which has appeared for many years. It is a story of life prominent in fashion and in politics, written by a member of New York's highest society who displays a genius as a writer destined to make her name famous—although she substitutes a nom de plume for her own well known one.

"A Successful Man" will appear in two parts in the *Cosmopolitan Magazine*—the first in the September issue and is illustrated by Harry McVickar, the drawings being made from life from acting models who were guests and servants at a Long Island country house.

A high type of American politician—a man having something of the characteristics of a Blaine, with a little of the Daniel Dougherty perhaps—is brought by chance into the close society of a Newport married belle—one of these women mated to wealth and manly beauty, with keen sympathies unsatisfied by the intellectual calibre of her husband. Then comes a careful study of the self-made successful American—of the society girl of Newport drawn by one who knows her perfectly at the best and at her worst—of society not as it is imagined but as it exists—of the human heart by one who has evidently taken it in her hand and watched its every pulsation.

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[illegible] stalwart Republicans of this [illegible] Congressional District were [illegible] Mr. Emery [illegible] for Congress they would [illegible] by a large majority [illegible] We [illegible] world know [illegible]

The Democrats of Clinton county have recommended Hon. M. I. Elliott [illegible] for the Congressional nomination in the 16th district composed of Clinton, Lycoming, Potter and Tioga counties. If Mr. Elliott should receive the district nomination and Mr. [illegible] should fail to [illegible] Republicans it wouldn't be an easy matter to determine [illegible] of the election who [illegible] that district in the next Congress. Mr. Elliott would [illegible] popular candidate.

Senator [illegible] McKinley, Dodge [illegible] Dolliver and [illegible] heavy Republican guns who are being used in the Maine campaign. In the face of such artillery the Democracy is helpless and those [illegible] southern champions of [illegible] Breckenridge [illegible] have volunteered their services. [illegible] will return a solid delegation of Republican congressmen and re-elect Governor [illegible] by 20,000 majority on the same day that the Senate will vote on the McKinley bill, Sept. 8th.

The intelligence is being published throughout the State that the Warren county Republican Committee while in session on Saturday last very kindly [illegible] the congressional nomination [illegible] From the information [illegible] by the edict [illegible] that Major Curtis of Tidioute would be the Congressional candidate for the short term and Hon. [illegible] W. [illegible] for the long term. It [illegible] necessary to hold a district convention. The town of Warren has so long supplied Congressional candidates for the district of which she was a part that her citizens begin to claim that prerogative by right of possession. Eighteen or twenty of the [illegible] years the Republican candidates for congress has been a resident of Warren borough. Political gall is about the most disgusting in the catalogue.

A [illegible] dispatch says: "The late Congressman L. F. Watson, was probably one of the wealthiest men in his section of the State, his wealth [illegible] by a business [illegible] at not less than $2,500,000 [illegible] and oil lands in Forest and Warren counties alone are estimated [illegible] at a value of $1,000,000. [illegible] years ago Mr. Watson purchased 50,000 acres of timber land in the State of Dakota and also large tracts in the States of Washington and Michigan, for a small sum, but they have since grown quite valuable. He has left his fortune to his wife and daughter after a number of charitable [illegible] handsomely remembered. Mr. Watson started in life for himself with less than $2 in cash, and though he was an openhearted generous man he amassed his fortune in a legitimate way, rarely speculating

THE CONGRESSIONAL CONTEST.

Elsewhere will be found the call for a Republican County Convention to be held at the Court House in this place on Tuesday, Sept. 16th. The object of this convention is to name the choice of McKean county for a candidate to fill the unexpired term in the present Congress of Hon. L. F. Watson, deceased, and a candidate for the succeeding term. It is pretty [illegible] upon the voters of the county [illegible] to get out to three primaries [illegible] the necessities of [illegible] year but the necessities of [illegible] and it is to be hoped that there will be a full turn out.

In the usual place in this paper will be found the announcement of S. W. Smith, Esq., of Port Allegany, as a candidate for the Congressional nomination. No other names are as [illegible] in this county and in all [illegible] Mr. Smith's will be the only [illegible] resident of the county who will seek the nomination. There are many reasons why he should have the [illegible] support of McKean county but none more potent than that he is an earnest Republican [illegible] successful lawyer [illegible] to fill the position [illegible].

Messrs. Stone of Warren and Lee of Venango have [illegible] why [illegible] the candidate of this county should be [illegible] We [illegible] the fact that both are [illegible] lawyers and excellent [illegible] men but there are a hundred men in this district who had they been [illegible] would make equally as strong [illegible] in a legislative body as either of them.

[illegible] the fact that McKean county [illegible] in favor of giving [illegible] Watson a second term, therefore this nomination [illegible] Warren county. Not at all. At the outset after the organization of the district [illegible] Watson [illegible] the nomination [illegible] Republicans of McKean county in order to establish the two term principle in the district voted to give him [illegible] Warren county a second term. [illegible] of the death of that gentleman [illegible] and the Republicans of this county [illegible] in that deal.

McKEAN COUNTY ASSOCIATION [illegible] UNION

The [illegible] Annual [illegible] McKean County Association [illegible] was held [illegible] Duke Centre on Friday of last week and it was one of the most successful meetings of the association in its history. Every Post in the county was represented and most of them very fully. It was estimated that there were at least 1500 people in attendance [illegible] The town was beautifully [illegible] and the ladies of the W. R. C. had eatables enough on hand to feed twice the number [illegible] that visited Duke Centre that day. And [illegible] dinner [illegible] the [illegible] testimony of all who partook. The parade was demoralized at times because of the rain but it was [illegible] just as the dress parade was [illegible] that portion of the programme was [illegible] abandoned.

[illegible] the Association was held in [illegible] hall [illegible] holding the [illegible] A committee [illegible] Hatch of [illegible] and [illegible] Post 347 was appointed to confer with the several Posts [illegible] county [illegible] to pay off the indebtedness of about a thousand [illegible] the soldiers monument.

The festivities of the day wound up with a splendid camp fire at the opera house and a big dance at the rink. At the camp fire [illegible] President of the Association presided with his usual ability and good humor. The speeches by comrades Pickett, Chapman, Colter, Buck and McElroy were first class. The singing of Mrs. Fairchild of Wellsville and comrades Lawes and McElroy and the music furnished by the Smethport band was all of the highest order.

The success attending the 8th annual reunion of the McKean County Association is due to the comrades of Duke Centre Post and W. R. C. led by President Fraser of the Association. They are entitled to all praise for their noble efforts.

The contest for the Democratic nomination for the State Senate in Elk county which closed on Saturday last between Harry Alvin Hall and C. H. McCauley was the bitterest political fight ever known in that county. Fully $20,000 was expended for rum and to buy votes outright. The organization of the election board in Ridgway caused a riot and four or five men received blows, although none were severely hurt. The defeated party organized a second board and voting was carried on at two windows of the election house. The most shameful frauds characterized the primaries all over the county. There were two election boards in four of the districts. Hall carried the county and will probably be nominated by the district convention although the other three counties Clinton, Cameron and Forest each has a candidate.

Dr. C. R. Earley has returned from Berlin, where he attended the World's Congress of medical men as a delegate from the American Medical Association. He stood the voyage first rate, and comes out of it in fine condition. Doctor Earley has been to Europe several times and is well known among the medical men of both Europe and America. We are glad to welcome him home again safe and sound and evidently good for many more trips.—*Elk Democrat.*

Col. Victor E. Piollet, the widely known politician and Granger leader, died at his home near Towanda on Wednesday morning of last week.

The U. S. Senate has agreed to take a final vote on the McKinley tariff bill on the 8th of this month. It will be the law of the land before the 1st of October.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

[From our own Correspondent.]

HARRISBURG, Sept. 1.—It is customary to notice how eager our democratic friends are heralding with loud trumpets the apostacy to republicanism of any mugwump or [illegible]. But the Democracy are slow to believe that for every accession from the Republican ranks to the Democratic fold the Republicans can claim two accessions to Republicanism from the Democracy. It is also [illegible] that the new Republican recruits are men who have been prominent in the councils of the Democratic party and their secession is accompanied by bitter [illegible] of the [illegible] heads. The Bourbon [illegible] Forest State [illegible] [illegible] Butler who was [illegible] Bureau of Statistics and [illegible] outspoken against the nominee for Governor. Mr. Butler's Democracy cannot be questioned by those who have known his work for his party. He now opposes Pattison because he does not regard him [illegible] because he has never been known to raise a finger for the cause [illegible] was an office to be secured for himself and Mr. Butler [illegible] several important campaigns [illegible] house and [illegible] who is better than his party in his own estimation and [illegible] with a set of [illegible] principles which can never be put into practice. Mr. Butler [illegible] the stump for [illegible].

Our grange picnic at Williams' grove was a grand success and [illegible] day was an ovation [illegible] senator and those who accompanied him to the grove. He made the farmers a real old hayseed speech which was closely listened to and his contact with the farmers made him scores of friends, who before he had brought but enemies. [illegible] were also [illegible] safe to predict that the farmers [illegible] this year [illegible] of the attempt [illegible] Lawrence [illegible] the Master of the Pennsylvania Patrons of Husbandry to lead his entire Brotherhood into the Democratic camp.

Mr. Pattison did not visit the picnic at all but instead he had himself interviewed and this interview in the columns of an organ he sent as his proxy. It was read [illegible] but singular to record failed entirely to touch upon a single subject at issue in this campaign. The New York *World* sent an edition of some ten thousand copies to the picnic grounds for free distribution. This was an effort at legitimate campaigning as interpreted by the Democrats, but as the *World's* campaign article consisted of abuse [illegible] of Senator Quay [illegible] copies of the *World* were [illegible] locked and not a copy of the paper was distributed. Subsequent to this proceeding the Executive [illegible] of the Grange at a meeting held at Williams grove adopted the following:

WHEREAS [illegible]

[illegible]

Lt. Lieutenant Governor Black [illegible] old hayseed from York [illegible] with the Jeffersonian simplicity [illegible] vest pocket [illegible] assembled grangers all [illegible] haughty Republicans [illegible] deals and how the farmers [illegible] because of those haughty Republicans and promising an era of grand good times in the [illegible] when the Democracy shall be put in power in the state. Black did not make many converts and [illegible] was followed by Senator Faulkner of West Virginia who said he would give the farmers of Pennsylvania a plain talk on the farmers duties as a political factor. [illegible] Your correspondent heard a number of Grangers express great disappointment at the Democratic showing made at the picnic. While the disappointment felt at Pattison's failure to be present was very great, his absence by many was interpreted to mean that he was either afraid to meet the farmers on the live issues of the day or not sufficiently posted to publicly discuss the questions that mostly interested the tillers of the soil. Summing the interests of the picnic from a political point of view it is safe to say that Republicanism forged ahead and Democracy was left way in the rear.

Governor Beaver's talk to the farmers was a practical intelligent talk on matters of vital interest to the grangers. He gave a clear, easily understood summary of the [illegible] administration of Mr. Pattison [illegible] and showed the hollowness of Democratic professions and absolute destitution of results, and challenged comparison with any Republican administration that had preceded his Pattison's or followed it. The veteran Governor made many friends for himself as well as for Candidate Delamater.

The friends of Secretary of the Commonwealth Stone, in this part of the State, are pleased to see his name prominently mentioned as a successor to the late Hon. Lewis F. Watson in the 27th Congressional District.

[illegible]

WHAT KILLED CONGRESSMAN WATSON.

There is something unusually pathetic in the death of Congressman Watson of Pennsylvania writes a correspondent in the *Chicago News*. He lies dead to-day because he felt his party call to be supreme. When the first contested election case was up in the House before the adoption of the rules which created a visible quorum every Republican was summoned to his seat to make a quorum. Mr. Watson was sick in bed. His physician forbade him to leave his room but when a second dispatch came Mr. Watson arose and came on to Washington. He voted and went back home to bed. When the Federal Election bill was to be voted on he was again telegraphed for. His doctor wired back that it was out of the question. His friends in the House sought to procure a pair, but the Democrats on that bill refused to arrange any pairs and Mr. Watson learned the night before the day the vote was taken that no pair could be arranged. He knew how desperately his party needed every vote. Party loyalty was greater to him than life. He came on to Washington and was almost carried into the House. More dead than alive he was taken back home. He almost collapsed before he reached Warren, and for weeks his life hung by a thread. The second trip to Washington had almost completely exhausted him. Careful attention and tender nursing saved his life, and he recovered sufficiently to be taken to the seashore. His doctor told him this time that further attempt to attend to his work meant death, but when that week the general dispatch went to all Republicans, calling them back for the agricultural bills Mr. Watson defied death and came back. Saturday he was in his seat all day and yesterday he was on his way to the House when death struck him.

CATTARAUGUS COUNTY'S LUCK.

The Republican Congressional Committee have almost completed their list of Protection expounders who will confront the Free trade theorists at the [illegible] county fairs in New York [illegible] and October. One [illegible] Cattaraugus County [illegible] will probably be [illegible] Mason, that [illegible] from Chicago [illegible] to-day urged Mr. Mason [illegible] will give his answer [illegible] Speaker Reed's district [illegible] of Mr. Mason to speak at [illegible] has a peculiar significance [illegible] that county [illegible] Mr. Mason is really one of the [illegible] of the House although he is serving only his second term. He is a typical self made man. At [illegible] years of age his father removed to Iowa. At 15 years of age young Mason began to teach school [illegible] and his nights to the study of law. He was admitted to the bar at 21 years of age and the following year, 1872, he went to Chicago. In 1879 he was elected to the lower house of the State Legislature and two years later was elected to the State Senate where he served four years retiring in 1885. In 1886 he was elected to Congress from the Third Chicago District to succeed Mr. Ward, a Democrat. He was renominated in 1888 and so popular was he that he did not make one speech in the district but was elected by a 2,000 majority. During the campaign he made nearly 100 speeches in New York State for Harrison and protection. He is the member who completely floored Sunset Cox during the debate on the Mills Bill in the last Congress.—*Buffalo Express.*

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ELLSWORTH L. PERRY,
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WILD WEST EXHIBITION!

THE GREAT CUSTER BATTLE.

The Mountain Meadow Massacre

—AND—

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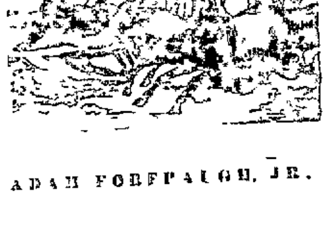

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The Illustrious Chief of all Arena Stars will appear in his Daring and Unparalleled Act of Riding and Driving 40 Fiery Thoroughbreds at Breakneck Speed! He will also present for the first time here, the Reason's [illegible], the Gymnast, Eclipse, together with all of his Famous and Self Created Animal [illegible]

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ERIE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

COMMISSIONERS' SALE.

The tracts of land contained in the following list having been purchased by the commissioners of McKean County at Treasurer's Sale, and the time for redemption of same by the owners having expired, the said Commissioners, by virtue of the power vested in them by the Acts of Assembly relating thereto, will offer the said lands at PUBLIC SALE at their office in the borough of Smethport, on

TUESDAY, THE [illegible] DAY OF SEPTEMBER A. D. 1890

beginning at 10 o'clock a. m.

Wt.	Sub.	Acres	Owners	Tax and Cost
			Annin Township	
2113	[illegible]	[illegible]	H. & H. O. Robinson	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Henry Chase	[illegible]
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			Bradford Township	
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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	F. H. Bell	[illegible]
			Keating Township	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	B. F. & A. B. Cory	[illegible]
			Lafayette Township	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	G. Corwin	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	J. R. Lee	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Melvin Walker & Co.	[illegible]
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			Liberty Township	
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JAMES ARGUS, }
C. M. FULLER, } Commissioners
JAS. A. McKEAN, }

Attest: M. B. GREEN, Clerk.
Smethport Aug 21 1890.

Treasurer's Sale.

An adjourned Treasurer's Sale of Unseated Lands in McKean County will be held at the Treasurer's office in the Court House, Smethport, Pa., on TUESDAY, SEPT. 2, 1890, COMMENCING AT [illegible] O'CLOCK P. M.

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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hamlin & Forrest	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mrs. [illegible]	[illegible]
			Bradford Township	
Rescher lot		[illegible]	Foster H. Jenkins & Kennedy	[illegible]
			Ceres Township	
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			Keating Township	
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			Lafayette Township	
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House and lot	[illegible]		S. P. Wise	[illegible]
			Liberty Township	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	E. I. Kellogg	[illegible]
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Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED, President Judge of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas for the County of McKean, has issued his precept bearing date Friday, June 13th, 1890, and to me directed for holding a Court of Common Pleas at the borough of Smethport, Pa., on Monday, the 8th day of Sept. A. D. 1890, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, Pa., Aug 18, 1890, and in the 114th year of the independence of the United States of America.

W. B. CLARK, Sheriff.

TRIAL LIST

For Second Monday of September, A. D. 1890

1. [illegible] vs Lewis Emery Jr. and W. [illegible] Weaver partners under the firm name of [illegible] Emery & Weaver, vs Pennsylvania Railroad Co. No. [illegible] December Term 1887. Assumpsit. Plea—Non assumpsit, payment and statute of limitation. Ordered heard [illegible]
2. B. J. Wilmoth vs W. I. Hensel. No. 21, December term 1885. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit, payment, set off with leave to offer special matter etc.
3. Thomas Blakeslee vs G. S. Gross. No. 10, December Term 1885. Ejectment. Plea—Not guilty.
4. J. G. Austin vs A. F. Bannon. No. 360, February Term 1888. Appeal. Plea—Not guilty.
5. Smith Fields, use of William Stanton vs William Haskell. No. 11 October Term, 1888. Appeal. Plea—Non assumpsit.
6. W. S. Robinson vs J. B. Mumford, H. R. Gilling and W. W. Caveney late doing business as Bradford Coal Co. No. 4 December Term 1888. Appeal. Plea—Non assumpsit.
7. F. W. Knox vs The New York Lake Erie and Western Railroad Co. No. 9, December Term, 1888. Assumpsit. Plea—Non assumpsit.
8. Jennie O. Miller vs Mrs. W. W. See. No. 75 October Term 1889. Capias in Trespass for Slander. Plea—Not guilty and that she is a married woman and not liable to arrest on a capias ad respondendum.
9. M. Long, George Stafford vs F. B. Wood, George H. Potter. No. 146, October Term 1889. Assumpsit. Plea—Non assumpsit, payment with leave etc.
10. Ray Ross and Frank Kernan vs Annin Township. No. 366, October Term 1889. Appeal. Plea—Not guilty.
11. B. F. Cory vs Elizabeth Chillies. No. 147, October Term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—Non assumpsit.
12. J. B. Calder vs C. C. Kerr. No. 151 December Term, 1889. Capias in Trespass for Libel. Plea—Not guilty.
13. John P. Zane vs S. R. Dresser. No. 110, February Term, 1890. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit, payment, payment with leave, etc and set off.
14. John J. Roberts vs Phineas V. Maxson. No. 128, February Term, 1890. Capias in an action of trespass. Plea—Not guilty.
15. Frederick Julian vs Byron Alford, doing business as the Van Campen Compound Company. No. 158, February Term, 1890. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit set off payment, etc.
16. S. Southwick vs W. N. Y. & P. R. R. Co. No. 223, February Term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Not Guilty.
17. M. B. Campbell vs Mary J. Oberlin. No. 257, February Term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.
18. Mrs. S. Southwick vs Western New York and Pennsylvania Railroad Co. No. 33, June Term 1890. Appeal. Plea—Not guilty.
19. H. Sondheim vs John S. Fisher. No. 287, June Term 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

Auditor's Notice.

In the matter of the Estate of William H. Martin deceased } In the Orphans' Court of McKean County.

The undersigned an Auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court to distribute the funds in the hands of E. I. Keenan, the administrator of the above mentioned estate will attend to the duties of his appointment, at his office in the borough of Smethport, on Tuesday, the 16th day of September A. D. 1890, at one o'clock p. m., at which time and place all persons interested can present their claims, or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

ROBERT H. ROSE, Auditor.

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[illegible] advertisement [illegible] born [illegible] and others [illegible] and others [illegible] married

[illegible] is beginning [illegible] of driveways [illegible]

[illegible] county that own which [illegible]

[illegible] evening Sept 10

[illegible] purpose of forming [illegible] club will be held in the [illegible] evening. Every [illegible] present

McKean county fair [illegible] September [illegible] one of the [illegible] this section

[illegible] Literary and Scientific [illegible] will please meet at Mrs. [illegible] Friday evening Sept. 12

[illegible] will be quite an [illegible] in Smethport during the [illegible] weeks. Most of them will [illegible] local institutions

[illegible] of the [illegible] September was held at the [illegible] Monday evening. No business [illegible] importance was transacted

[illegible] was given in the [illegible] Mechanic street Wednesday [illegible] The small crowd in attendance [illegible] for a few hours [illegible] warbler will whistle [illegible] concert company's entertainment [illegible] Monday evening [illegible] on sale at Armstrong's

[illegible] is building a large addition [illegible] blacksmith [illegible] Water street and [illegible] other [illegible] He has also secured the [illegible] first class horseshoer

[illegible] coroner's jury in the case of [illegible] McKenzie, who committed [illegible] at Duke Centre on Friday of last [illegible] returned a verdict that the d[illegible] came to her death by her own [illegible]

[illegible] for authority a New York [illegible] as the latest bundle [illegible] "mosquito illumination" [illegible] and snake-bite [illegible] pocket-light

[illegible] of the McKean County [illegible] at Duke Centre, on [illegible] was well represented [illegible] Post 347 W. R. C. 23 and [illegible] composed the [illegible] Duke Centre people

[illegible] Mrs. [illegible] are mourning [illegible] infant child, which [illegible] of cholera infantum [illegible] funeral services over the [illegible] held in the M. E. Church on [illegible] The interment took [illegible] cemetery

[illegible] city woman who [illegible] work [illegible] that the [illegible] positively end on the [illegible] of November. How true it is [illegible] to every [illegible] have to spend any [illegible] Thanksgiving Day dinner

[illegible] the pastoral [illegible] look out for [illegible] the offspring of [illegible] This is the season [illegible] from [illegible] window

[illegible] comedy combination [illegible] the theatrical season in [illegible] on Thursday evening of last [illegible] "My Partner" [illegible] Ranch. The performances [illegible] and Saturday evenings, at [illegible] good sized audiences and gave [illegible] satisfaction

The local [illegible] stay-at-home [illegible] does not run from door to door of her neighbors—her time is too much occupied [illegible] to her household duties, hence [illegible] not a gossip or a scandal monger. [illegible] neighbors say she is exclusive and [illegible] and "snub" her. Oh, that the [illegible] of "exclusive and unfriendly" were largely multiplied.—Ex.

[illegible] editor of an exchange gave notice that a certain man in town [illegible] sufficient muscular exercise [illegible] that office instead of whipping [illegible] About twenty have taken [illegible] challenge and the editor [illegible] than he can properly manage [illegible] men who are always [illegible] a newspaper makes it [illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible] will hold [illegible] September for [illegible] county companies [illegible] to give the [illegible] reception and would like [illegible] present with his [illegible] chair [illegible] would like to hear [illegible] to be present.

[illegible] Mr. Andrew Reilly [illegible] in exhibit [illegible] favorably with [illegible] the country. His [illegible] years old and tips the [illegible] Mr. Reilly will take [illegible] to Port [illegible] It will be exhibited at [illegible] McKean Agricultural [illegible] September [illegible] 17

—An educated and once naturally brilliant intellect is wrecked and alcohol is the potent agency that has wrought the ruin. A man well known in Smethport, who received a classic education in youth, and who possessed an infinite imagination and inventive genius, is now a monomaniac—harmless but conspicuously off. His mania is for disguising and he appears at intervals as a clown, a negro or whatever fantastic masquerade his fancy dictates.

—The concert given by Master Georgia Copeland assisted by Prof Willard Georgia and Miss Pauline R Larrabee Monday evening was indeed a musical treat. Young Copeland is a wonderful performer and is really something of a musical prodigy. He rendered selections from Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert and others with charming grace and ease, and with rare expression. Prof Georgia possesses a powerful baritone voice and was obliged to respond to many encores. Miss Larrabee is an accomplished accompanist.

—The last inhabitant of Pithole, now that his solitary neighbor has been sold out by the sheriff, must feel like that much speculated on individual, the last human being on earth, says the *Derrick*. Though his history of Pithole has been paralleled by western mining towns, it has no equal east of the Rockies. From a wild mass to a city of thousands and again to the population of two, and one of those hanging on the edge of bankruptcy, took less than a quarter of a century to effect. Pithole is one of the many romantic stories of the oil country.

—Ruskin condemns the bicycle. He says: "I not only object, but am quite prepared to spend all my best bad language in reprobation of bi, tri and 4, 5, 6 or 7 cycles, and every other contrivance and invention for superseding human feet on God's ground. To walk, to run, to leap and to dance are the virtues of the human body, and neither to stride on stilts, wriggle on wheels, or dangle on ropes, and nothing in the training of the human mind will the body will ever supersede the appointed God's way of slow walking and hard working."

—A decision has recently been made by the Supreme Court of Minnesota which is of interest to business men in general. It declares that bank checks are not cash and do not possess legal value as money until cashed. In other words the giving of a check on a bank is not a payment when passed between debtor and creditor, but only becomes so when the money is received on it. The court held that in accepting a check from a debtor there is no legal presumption that the creditor takes it in absolute payment but only conditionally or as a written acknowledgement of the debt.

A correspondent to an exchange says: "I have a great scheme to unfold evoked by my sympathy for the New York Central strikers. It is this: *Let us all go out.* Let us not wait for the Grand Something-or-other to call out all the What-you-may-call-ems, but let us all go out at once and make the strike universal. I will call mine out to-morrow. You call out your newspaper folks, and let us have no railroad trains, no mails, no newspapers, no telegrams, no 'beef, veal, lamb, pork, ham, tripe and sausage' (as my butcher says), no hired girls, no nothing. Let us boycott everybody and live off each other until we get tired and then begin all over again with our hands and hearts completely 'steel.' Then we'll I write a grand hymn of peace, to be sung by all hands, to the tune of 'Your Roosian Marsh.'"

Personal

E. O. Wright of Kane was in town Tuesday.

A. J. Coleman of Port Allegany was in town Sunday.

J. M. McClure Esq of Bradford was in Smethport Tuesday.

Benj Hall and wife of Mechanic street drove to Olean last Sunday.

Frank N. Taylor, of the Grand Central, visited Buffalo last week.

Mrs. L. W. Mason and daughter Cora are visiting friends in Rochester.

Tom Mullin of Bradford had legal business in the county seat Wednesday.

Ex-Sheriff A. I. Ransom of Bradford, spent Sunday with friends at the county seat.

Mrs. F. N. Lewis, of Rochester N. Y. is visiting her father B. F. Knapp on King street.

Chauncey Buck and wife, of Port Allegany, drove over to the county seat on Sunday last.

Mr and Mrs Wm F Walsh returned home from their wedding trip on Saturday evening last.

Mrs C. H. Moore and daughter and Mrs. G. E. Moore returned from their Chautauqua trip last Saturday.

John Chapman, Esq, our next District Attorney, was attending to legal business in Smethport, Wednesday.

Mrs. W. P. Burdick, who has been visiting relatives on King street, returned to her home in Dubois, Tuesday last.

Miss M. Pattison departed last Monday for the Fredonia Normal school, where she will continue her course of study.

Mr. Clark Wilson and daughter Bell have returned to Smethport after an extended visit in Butler and other places.

H. W. Rubin was subpoenaed in the Drum Murder case, in Cameron county, and left for Emporium Monday morning last.

Lawyers F. W. Hastings, E. McSweeney and Geo A. Sturgeon, of Bradford were registered at the Central Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDowell of Port Allegany, were guests of Mr and Mrs. William Haskell, of Main street, last Sunday.

Miss Edna, daughter of E. L. Keenan, Esq., departed Tuesday for Fredonia where she will continue her studies in the Normal school.

Mrs. J. L. Dayton and daughter of Friendship, who have been guests of Mrs. Sheridan Gorton, of King street, returned home yesterday.

Special policeman Frank Kerns did a noble act in ejecting a rowdy who was picking up a disturbance in the opera house, Saturday evening.

The Misses Sadie and Ella Gratz, who have been visiting Mrs. W. F. Shero for the past month, returned to their home in Harrisburg, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Maguire and little daughter Edith visited Emporium this week. Mr Maguire was called there as a witness in the Drum murder case.

Howard F. Wilson and family left for Toronto, Ont., Wednesday morning for a visit with relatives of Mrs. Wilson. Max Wilson, of Port Allegany, will have charge of Howard's business during his absence.

After diphtheria, scarlet fever, pneumonia, or any other severe illness, there is no better tonic than Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Removal of Kinzua bridge.

The Rochester *Democrat* says it is stated on good authority that the famous Kinzua Viaduct is soon to be removed, because it is not heavy enough for the rapidly increasing traffic carried over it. The span is across a deep gorge formed by Kinzua Creek. It is 2,052 feet long, and 301 feet above the water. It was built for a single track at a cost of $237,000. It consists of twenty towers, each 10 feet by 38½ inches at the top, and of varying width at the bottom, the highest being 103 feet by 38½ feet at its base. These towers are built of Phoenix iron columns in 30 feet sections, and connected by internal wrought iron sleeper joints.

The viaduct was designed to hold a weight of 266 tons. This is equal to a load of 3,07 pounds per lineal foot of track. This viaduct carries a branch of the New York, Lake Erie & Western from the petroleum fields of McKean county to the coal fields of Elk county. It is the highest structure of the kind in the world. It was commenced May 8, 1882, and completed August 29, 1882—in less than four months. There is some question as to whether the viaduct will be replaced by a detour made in the line of the road. When the viaduct was first contemplated it was found the detour would cost $4,000 more than the viaduct, but if the viaduct is built with heavier material it may be found that it will cost more than to make the detour. The viaduct for years has been one of the famous bridges of the world and has been visited and examined by many eminent engineers and railroad men of this and other countries.

A Young Girl Outraged

An inhuman wretch and libertine of Mt. Jewett by the name of John Hed[illegible] ger has thus far succeeded in eluding the officers of the law, although Sheriff Clarke has put forth every effort to capture him. His offense is the rape of a little girl of 13 years, the coward accomplishing his hellish work last Monday afternoon. The girl's father, whose name is John Sandling, [illegible] is a carpenter by trade, and a neighbor of the author of his daughter's ruin. Hedenger is a married man and a father. The little girl was in the habit of making daily trips to a spring in the adjacent woods for water with which to refresh her father during his work on some oil wells in the vicinity. As was her custom she went Monday afternoon and encountered Hedenger at the spring. The devil began addressing her and made advances, but she hurried on her errand and related the incident to her father, expressing a fear of the man and of returning alone. Mr. Sandling, however, thought there was no occasion for the alarm, and the girl retraced her steps. Hedenger was lurking near the path and when she approached he seized and dragged her to the bushes. As soon as the father of the outraged girl learned the truth, he swore out a warrant for Hedenger's arrest, and the Sheriff was telegraphed for. All attempts to capture the villain have thus far been unsuccessful. It is to be hoped that he will be brought to justice.

Suicide at Duke Centre

At Duke Centre, on Friday of last week, while the festivities attending the G. A. R. Reunion were at their highest and all were seemingly happy, one household was suddenly plunged into gloom and sadness by the suicide of a wife and mother.

Mr. J. R. McKenzie upon entering his house to escape the rain discovered his wife lying dead on the floor of the kitchen with several horrible gashes in her throat.

The unfortunate lady had been for some time past a sufferer of Bright's disease, and seemed to think she would never get well. This coupled with her grief over the actions of a wayward daughter probably impelled her to commit the act. It would appear that the happiness of all around her was more than she could bear. While the parade was passing the front of the house she stepped out on the back porch and drew the razor across her throat, and failing to accomplish her purpose there, she staunched the flow of blood with her apron and in the rear of the kitchen and there, with a looking glass to direct her movements, severed the arteries on both sides of the jugular vein slightly cutting the vein itself. When discovered she had apparently been dead about half an hour.

Mrs. McKenzie was about 51 years of age and leaves a husband and four children, the youngest five years old.

Obituary

Mrs. Minetta Walters, an old and highly esteemed lady, long a resident of this borough, died on Sunday morning last at the residence of her son-in-law, Ernst Hamm, Esq, after a brief illness, the immediate cause of death being cholera morbus. Mrs. Walters had not been feeling well for some time but on Sunday morning was able to be around as usual but soon after took to her bed and shortly before noon breathed her last.

Minetta Weaver was born in Germany January 26, 1813. She was married to Augustus Walters in her native country. In the year 1850, and shortly after came to America. She was the mother of eleven children and lived to see all but two, who died in youth, well established in life. The funeral services were held on Wednesday morning at the M. E. Church, Rev. T. W. Chandler officiating, and the remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery, a large concourse of relatives and friends following the remains to their last resting place.

W. C. T. U.

At the annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union August 27 the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. D. L. Forsyth
Vice-President—Mrs. E. F. Chandler
Cor Sec'y—Miss A. A. Scull
Rec Sec'y—Mrs. M. E. Richmond
Treasurer—Mrs. S. S. Strong

After reviewing the work of past years it was decided that never since the Union was organized had it been in so prosperous a condition nor the outlook so encouraging. As the report of "Press Work" showed many favors received from the editors of our papers in the way of gratuitous notices whenever requested, a vote of thanks was unanimously extended to them.

M. E. RICHMOND, Sec'y

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending August 30

Carlson, John Gustaf—Foreign	McCormick, Frank
Carlson, J. G.	McKnight, Thomas
Coman, James	Patten, James
Higgins, Ann	Shaw, Gardner
Hatch, Frank	

Persons calling for these letters, please say advertised and give date.

E. M. KENNA, P. M.

Worth Its Weight in Gold.

If you feel depressed, your appetite is poor and are troubled with dizziness in the head, Biliousness or Dyspepsia, Dr Lee's Liver Regulator will cure you. Trial size bottles free.

A well known physician in New York advises all his patients that suffer with Coughs and Colds to use Pan Tina Cough and Consumption Cure. 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's Drug Store.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD.

Summer resorters are arriving in the city.

Gossip has three small weddings on the tapis.

Mrs. F. S. Johnson and children are visiting friends in Buffalo.

The temperature of the political pot is working up to a fever heat.

The P. O. S. A. will give a grand ball at Orpheus hall on September 8.

Over three hundred Bradfordians attended the veterans' reunion at Duke Centre.

A. M. [illegible] of the *Era*, and wife, have returned from a visit at Jamestown, N. Y.

E. H. [illegible] of the *Star* job rooms is smiling over the arrival of a baby girl at his house.

The Columbus, Ohio, team will play an exhibition game with the Bradfords on September [illegible]

Mrs. H. D. Barbour is again at the bedside of her sick mother at Centreville, who is now in a critical condition.

Ex Postmaster M. L. Armstrong and Deputy Sheriff Grubb were among the county seat visitors this week.

Mrs. H. H. North, one of Bradford's favorite musicians, has returned from a visit with friends in [illegible], Pa.

Rev. W. H. [illegible], pastor of the A. M. E. Church, was called to Manchester, Va., this week where his mother suddenly died.

[illegible] and Batsu, formerly connected with the Bradford ball club, are holding positions with the Dunkirk contingent at present.

Spectators at the Olean-Bradford game on Saturday were treated to a dose of rotten eggs that were thrown from some unknown quarter.

The base ball season closes one week from next Tuesday and arrangements are pending for the organization of another league for the season of 91.

It is apprehended that the calamities that have stricken the community during the past six months will impede any effort for society events during the approaching season.

The [illegible] threw open their doors on Tuesday evening. There have been many changes made in the family and they are now under the [illegible] of C. D. Loge of Cleveland [illegible]

Miss Jennie Bonnell and [illegible] were married last week at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. A. E. Bonnell. The happy couple are now enjoying their honeymoon in the east.

—Patrice, in "The Midnight Call," opened the theatre season at the Wagner on Friday evening and gave a clever performance. The Private Secretary, [illegible] Love and The [illegible] are [illegible] this week.

[illegible] Weaver was given a hearing before Justice [illegible] Monday morning to answer a charge of assault and battery. Weaver was compelled to furnish bail for $400 for his appearance at the next term of court.

C. I. Wheeler Jr., son of the C. I. Wheeler of [illegible] Company, has invented a useful [illegible] for preventing gas from evaporating [illegible] wells. Mr. Wheeler has applied for a patent and [illegible] company to manufacture the same.

It is hoped by all conscientious newspaper men of this vicinity that E. Perkins will stroll through this [illegible] many days [illegible] the columns [illegible] The columns of abuse that [illegible] they have heaped through their papers in regard to treatment of their ball players on several occasions [illegible] acquainted with the facts to [illegible] such [illegible] that they should allow their brains to run away with their train of thought. They were [illegible] by manager Torrison and [illegible] incapable of pouring salt into a rat hole.

A great furore was created in this city Saturday by the circulation of a story to the effect that the corpse of an Italian had been found in the bottom of the reservoir and that the body had lain in its watery grave for months. Nearly every person that wore a [illegible] on their face that an [illegible] they had been drinking on lemonade. The office of the water department was besieged with citizens inquiring of the officers if there was any truth in the rumor and they emphatically denied the affair and proved that [illegible] were untenable. One woman carried water from a well for two days and many people were threatened [illegible]. The [illegible] from the death of an Italian at [illegible] near the reservoir and a passing stranger inquired what [illegible] when a foolish jester informed him that the body had been recovered in the bottom of the [illegible] that furnished water for the citizens of Bradford. The stranger was a resident of this city and when he returned he [illegible] the information free. By the time the report had passed from mouth to mouth to Tarport the number [illegible] had increased to four sons of Italy. Such reports are detrimental to the interests of the city and it is painful that any one [illegible] that passes [illegible] the [illegible]

KENDALL CREEK

C. D. Lee [illegible] returned from a visit to [illegible], Ma.

Mr. and Mrs. J. [illegible] are the happy parents of a baby girl.

Mrs. J. [illegible] of [illegible] is entertaining Mrs. [illegible] of Cleveland, O.

Miss [illegible] of Bolivar, is in town the guest of Mrs. E. L. Sherman and family.

Mrs. [illegible] McKinney and family returned Monday from a two weeks sojourn at Mt. Alton.

John Callahan is absent on a business trip [illegible] where he may locate permanently.

E. L. Sherman returned Tuesday from a visit [illegible] friends and relatives at Saratoga and Fort [illegible] N. Y.

Miss [illegible] who has been visiting in [illegible] for the past three weeks, returned home Saturday.

Miss [illegible] Longfellow returned Wednesday from [illegible] where she has been spending her vacation.

Mrs. Dougherty and family of Kittanning are the guests of Mrs. Dougherty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. [illegible]

Miss Jennie McKinney returned last week from a month's visit to friends and relatives at Allentown and [illegible]

Joseph Ellsworth who has been a guest at the American House returned to his house at Washington, Pa., last week.

Miss [illegible] Epperman, of Jersey Shore, who has been the guest of Miss Carrie Artley for several weeks, left last Wednesday, to take charge of her school at Altoona, Pa.

Our public schools open Monday Sept. 8th with the following corps of teachers: Principal, Mrs. Emma McHean, assistants Miss Grace [illegible], Miss Ermitta Johnson, Miss Winnifred Sherman and Miss Mary Boorne.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church gave a supper in the Reading Room Tuesday evening. An elegant supper was served and all who attended, enjoyed a pleasant evening. The ladies realized a neat sum by their efforts.

The M. E. Church has been moved from its former site on Church street to Main street. Its present location is much more desirable in many ways. The church, when completed will be a very attractive building and a credit to Kendall.

MT JEWETT

Miss Nellie Brewer is visiting friends in Wilcox.

Dr. Van Slyke returned home last Friday from Chautauqua.

Sam Phillips is in New York this week and will purchase a large stock of goods.

Miss Minnie Hibbard, of Smethport, was the guest of Mrs. E. D. McCoy, last week.

Miss Zella Hayes is spending a few weeks with friends in Dubois and Meadville.

Mr. Swanson and family, from Smethport are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Newborg.

Mrs. J. Goodman went to New York City last Monday and will purchase a fine line of dry goods before returning home.

The Brewer Gas Company will soon have their line ready to furnish the people with gas.

School opened last Tuesday with Misses Mary E. Charles and Rose Allen in charge. About fifty pupils were enrolled.

The ice cream festival held in Long's Hall last Saturday evening was not altogether a success owing to the weather being very cold. Much credit is due the Ladies' Aid Society and they realized about thirty dollars.

Miss Lena Pattison, of Kasson, on her way home from Minnesota, where she has been spending a few months with friends, spent last Thursday with her sister, Mrs. G. H. Sparks. She was accompanied by her cousin, Mrs. Emma Dow of Owatonna.

The dance at Long's Hall, last Thursday evening, was a very enjoyable affair and the excellent music of the Bradford Orchestra was highly appreciated. About twenty couple of young people from Kane took in the dance and each had a very pleasant time.

CLERMONT.

Mrs. L. D. Hill visited Olean last Wednesday.

Fred King, of Smethport, was in town last Sunday.

Fred Brownell, of Smethport, was in town last Tuesday.

Freeland's Minstrels are billed for this place this week, the 6th.

Dr. J. E. K. Morris and wife, of Olean were in town last Saturday.

A party of young people from Smethport visited our place last Sunday.

Lew Clark of Blossburg Pa., was a guest at Will Barr's over Sunday last.

Miss Vira Peters returned Monday from a short visit with Olean friends.

Miss Mary Simpson, of Turtle Point, visited in town last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. George Roth of Austin was greeting her old friends here last Saturday.

Eva Wilmarth returned to her school duties at Edinboro last Monday morning.

Quite a number of Eldredites took in the G. A. R. reunion at Duke Centre last Friday.

The lightning struck Coleman's hotel during a storm last Friday but not much damage was done.

Tarbell, Lace & Shaffer began spudding Monday morning on well No. 8 on the bank of the river.

Lime Owens is smiling over the arrival of a new boy which came to his house last Saturday morning.

The St. Raphael picnic which was held here last Tuesday was a success in every way. A large party was given at the opera house in the evening. Quite a number from out of town were present.

Death has called away another of our aged citizens this time John Houben, who had he lived a month longer would have been eighty years of age. He started from home Monday morning in apparently good health but while walking on Hang street, dropped dead. The funeral services were held Wednesday at the residence of his son on Edson street.

KASSON

Miss Molly Hafner of Crenshaw is visiting friends here.

Mr. Eben Pattison is laid up with a number of [illegible] here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Laurie visited friends at Cleveland [illegible]

Miss Ma[illegible] of [illegible] is visiting friends in Smethport.

Mrs. [illegible] of Owatonna, Minn. is visiting at D. F. Pattison's.

Mr. [illegible] and wife were the guests of Mrs. Orrin Terry Sunday.

Miss Lena Pattison, who has been spending the summer with friends in Minnesota, has returned to her home in this place.

Among those who visited the county seat last Friday were J. O. Terry, Ira Wardle and son, W. [illegible] and D. F. Pattison of this place.

The school [illegible] on Tuesday the 11th [illegible] teachers presiding: No. 1 Miss Alla Foster, No. 2 Miss Millie Pattison, Long Brook School Miss Lena Pattison.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson who have been visiting Mr. Anderson's brother [illegible] and other friends here about [illegible] have returned to their home in Olean.

A rather queer case of blood poisoning came to our [illegible] last week. Mrs. Wm. Laurie was bitten on the wrist by a hen, the skin being torn. Her hand and arm was swollen as [illegible] the skin would [illegible] for several days.

A queer and fatal disease has broken out among the young cattle here, killing them within three or six hours after they are attacked. It [illegible] through the skin in bright drops on different parts of the body [illegible] they [illegible] Kinney has already lost four head [illegible]

CLERMONT

Miss Katie Betts has returned from Renovo.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] spent Sunday last visiting friends at Kasson.

Mr. F. Chalmers, of the [illegible] is here for [illegible] and will remain for some time.

Our school commenced on Tuesday last and will continue for eight months.

I am informed by outside parties that some one was married in this town on Sunday last.

Two hundred and thirty voters are registered on [illegible] for the fall election.

Postmaster [illegible] to Smethport on Wednesday to attend the encampment of the I. O. O. F.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] from [illegible] are here visiting Mrs. [illegible] parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. [illegible]

The School Board held a regular meeting on Monday last and the duplicate for 1890 was handed to the collector.

Mr. Wm. Abbott has just returned from Niagara, Canada, where he went to bury his father. Mr. Abbott has the sympathy of his many friends here.

The [illegible] of the [illegible] Mr. J. H. [illegible] has returned from Tioga county and left on Monday last for Port Allegany where he is to survey some sites for the railroad company.

Jas. O. [illegible] came home Friday last from Washington and New York and left the same day for Dagus Mines where he is offered a position in the office of the superintendent of the Northwestern Mining and Exchange Co. He has however until the 10th of November to accept or reject the very tempting offer.

EAST SMETHPORT

East Smethport is lively.

The place is becoming [illegible] summer resort.

Your correspondent's place is famous for its sprinters.

J. H. Somers and wife, of the Exchange visited Duke Centre last week.

The MINER is very popular in this hamlet, and will be more so when your correspondent goes to work.

Some of Smethport's lady [illegible] young people delight in nocturnal promenades on our suburban highways.

Wade Chambers has moved his family into his pleasant cottage at East Smethport after an absence of three years in Ludlow.

C. A. Backer has fully recovered from his late indisposition. He is not down with the typhoid fever as the MINER stated last week.

A MAMMOTH SHOW

Forepaugh's Circus Aggregation United with the great "Wild West"

The Forepaugh "Wild West" combination will surely meet with an ovation at Bradford Tuesday Sept. 16th, Jamestown Wednesday Sept. 17th, if the interest in the event already aroused in this locality can be taken as an indication. Manager Cooper certainly made a great coup d'etat when he secured the "Wild West" show, for it has proven a powerful adjunct to his purchase of the great Forepaugh establishment. This remarkable frontier entertainment is presented under canvas in the same complete and thrilling form that characterized its production under Mr. Forepaugh's management in New York City, where it was given 153 times with unexampled success. "Custer's Last Rally," with Capt. Bogardus as the hero of the Little Big Horn, still remains one of the big sensations of the exhibition, as is also Gen. Phil Sheridan's Famous Ride. Notwithstanding the "Wild West" representations are given so much prominence in the Forepaugh programme, the circus and hippodrome retain all their former vast proportions. It would seem that Adam Forepaugh Jr., has scored the greatest triumph of his life this year in the exhibition of his flying trapeze horse, "Eclipse." The marvelous little animal creates a furore wherever he appears. The street parade, which brings into requisition the combined resources of the Forepaugh and "Wild West" shows, is accounted a most novel and dazzling pageant. The railroads give excursion rates on "Forepaugh Day."

Put on the Brakes

If you find you are going down hill in point of health. Failing strength, impaired digestion and assimilation are the marks of decline. Check these, and other indications of premature decay with the grand vitalizer and restraining tonic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Beginning at the fountain head, the stomach, the Bitters remedies its inefficiency, corrects its errors, and sets it vigorously at work. The digestive organ is thus enabled to thoroughly separate from the food its nutritive principles, which the blood assimilating, is enriched. Thus is the system nourished, and being nourished strengthened, and abnormal waste of its tissues stayed. Appetite, the power to rest well, a regular habit are also re-established, and the various functions move once more in their natural and healthful groove. The Bitters, moreover is a specific for and preventive of malarial complaints, rheumatism, biliousness and kidney troubles.

EVERYBODYS' COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

—He sighed with his hand on his heart;
Before her he went on his knees;
He'd have acted the true lover's part
If fate hadn't forced him to sneeze

—Smoke "First Attempt."

—Dies hard—The hard-shell crab

—"First Attempt" clear Havana

—Go to M. Rosenfield's for clothes.

—The compositor "sets em' up again" oftener than any one else

—After breakfast smoke "First Attempt"

—Have you seen the carpets at the Furniture and Carpet Store?

"What's in a name?" The town of Lake is crying for water

—"First Attempt" sold at the Central and Wright House

—Don't fail to see the carpets at the Furniture and Carpet Store

—The laborer with the crowbar generally takes pried in his business.

—The finest range ever put on exhibition in Smethport is for sale at L. W. Mason's hardware store

—The largest and finest stock of carpets ever brought to this section of country is now at the Furniture and Carpet Store

—The blind snakes found in the Mammoth Cave are not see serpents

—For wall paper go to Reilly's Furniture and Carpet store

—Carpets in exchange for wool at the Furniture and Carpet Store

—The trouble with Vice President Webb is that he is as arbitrary as a base ball umpire

—A big line of clothing for men and boys at M. Rosenfield's Main street.

—Cash paid for wool at A. Reilly's furniture and carpet store, Main street

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Scull's meat market, East Smethport Pa.

We have our [illegible] and [illegible] eggs as the way an English poultry dealer quoted it

—Call at J. B. Laraway's barber shop and examine his complete stock of rifles, shot guns, revolvers, loaded shells and cartridges of all kinds

—Go to J. O. Hall of Port Allegany Pa., for all kinds of flooring, ceiling, wainscoting, siding, wood turning, mouldings, etc. Pike lever handles a specialty. 8ft

—The Czar seems able to withstand the Nihilists but when the poets get after him that is another thing

—Families, jobbers and everybody can be supplied with fresh and salt meats promptly upon application at Scull's, East Smethport Pa.

—The handsomest wall paper ever brought to Smethport can be seen at Specht & Sisse's Furniture rooms

—"I'm of the opinion that Bacon wrote Hamlet." "Why so?" "The play seems to have such an attraction for hams."

—Itch, Mange and Scratches on human or animals cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong druggist, Smethport. 26 42 ly

—It is a singular fact that when anything is too horrid to relate, everybody is dying to hear it. No, that isn't exactly right either. Everybody wants to relate it.

—Mrs. J. B. Laraway begs to inform the ladies of Smethport and vicinity that she is prepared to do dressmaking in the latest and most approved styles and to this end has engaged the services of Miss Matie Spence of Binghamton, N. Y., a lady thoroughly practical in the art. All work promptly done and guaranteed. Rooms over the MINER office

—A tooth weighing twenty six pounds has been taken from the mouth of Peace Creek in Florida. But that is not the mouth in which it grew

—W. W. Bissell, scientific and practical optician, will be at the Grand Central next Monday and Tuesday with full assortment of spectacles, eye-glasses and special lenses. He may be consulted free of charge for all cases of impaired visions. Referred by permission to Rev. T. W. Chandler

They all Failed

The following letter from Mr. W. A. Thompson of Columbus, Wis., is peculiarly interesting. "My wife," says he, "has been treated for her head, stomach and nervous prostration by three doctors in New York, two in Chicago, one in Philadelphia, one in Cincinnati, and at the large institution in Buffalo for 16 months. They all failed. But one bottle of Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine helped her wonderfully." This should be used in all headaches, backache, changes of life, nervous disturbances, fits, rheumatism, etc. Ask at A. B. Armstrong's drug store for a free trial bottle and Dr. Miles' new book on the Nerves and Head.

A Fortunate Woman

Mrs. Mary L. Baker of Oak, Mich., has reason to be thankful. She was a great sufferer from heart disease for years. Was short of breath, had hungry spells, pain in side, fluttering, faintness etc. After taking two bottles of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure she says, "I am better than for 20 years. My mind and eyesight have improved wonderfully. I advise all persons thus afflicted to use this great remedy." A. B. Armstrong, druggists, recommends and guarantees it. Dr. Miles' work on Heart Disease, containing marvelous testimonials, free.

Life's Mistakes

Somebody has condensed the mistakes of life and arrived at the conclusion that there are fourteen of them. The greatest of all mistakes is to allow a simple Cough or Cold to take its course which always ends in death. Check it in time and save life by use of Pan Tina Cough and Consumption Cure. Price 25 cents.

Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's Drug Store.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria

Auditor's Notice.

In re estate of Robert Macklin deceased. In the Orphans Court of McKean County.

And now to-wit August 4 1890 M. J. Colcord, Esq, appointed auditor to distribute the funds in the hands of Anna S. Macklin, administratrix. PER CURIAM

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested that I will attend to the duties of the appointment at my office in Port Allegany Pa. on the 6th day of September, A. D. 1890 at 10 o clock a. m. where all parties interested may appear or be forever barred from sharing in the distribution.

M. J. COLCORD
Auditor

Aug 12, 1890 —3 w

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Smethport, Pa.

Two Weeks More!

Until our Annual Inventory

All leisure moments are occupied in measuring, counting, weighing, sifting out the remnants, odds and ends and goods that are going out of season.

You know one of our rules is a clean stock. We are determined to have it. No old timers for us. Each season must take care of itself. This is why we make it to your interest to visit us now. It's good value to you; it's cash and room to us. Yes, room in spite of the conveniences of our new store we are again crying for room, room. Preparations for fall stock cry out in tones of thunder.

Cash, Room!
Cash, Room!

We have just received 125 barrels of Snow Flake and Harvest Queen Flour from old wheat. Every housewife knows that flour from old wheat is much more desirable than from new wheat. Grain markets are very strong. It is a good time to get a supply.

Here we are Again!

Trying, trying to do our customers good by selling them more goods for their money than any other store in this locality. Now if you doubt this we will take pleasure in convincing you that such is really the case.

I have some very Desirable

SUMMER GOODS

which I am [illegible] away down. Real Bargains, FOR THE BUYER OF COURSE.

I make this announcement to impress upon the mind of the people that I intend to reduce my present stock, to make room for a large carefully selected and cheap stock, suitable for the fall and winter trade. Call and see me. You will be used well whether you buy or not.

SPECIAL BARGAINS IN SHOES!

D. C. YOUNG'S

New Fall and Winter

DRESS GOODS AND YARNS!

We have just purchased an entirely new line of yarns, consisting of Saxony, Germantown, and German Knitting Yarn, Zephyrs &c.

We have also just received some very fine Dress Goods of the latest patterns. Come and see our new and elegant Dress Patterns, Pure mohair silk Finish.

Dress Flannels, Cashmeres, &c.

It is hardly necessary to speak of our new shoes, as they are going off like hot cakes, and giving general satisfaction. A new pair of fine shoes for a trifle more than it would cost you to have the old ones cobbled.

A few bargains in trimmed and untrimmed hats, bonnets, &c. Come in time—procrastination will deprive you of fashionable head wear for a little money.

MRS. T. D. NASH.

Smethport, Aug 14th 1890 —tf

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KEEP YOUR PANTS ON WITH THE ATWOOD SUSPENDER.

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Announce to the people of Smethport and vicinity that their stock is now complete and embraces many

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We have also in stock a full line of Hats and Caps, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Gloves and Mittens.

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Meat and Vegetable Market
IN
SMETHPORT.

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FRESH MEAT,
HAM, SAUSAGES,
Salt Meats, Corned Beef, Lard, Chickens, &c., &c.
ALSO
VEGETABLES
IN THEIR SEASON.
A FIRST-CLASS LINE OF
FAMILY GROCERIES
AT PRICES AS LOW AS THE LOWEST.
A Full Line of
CANNED GOODS
Highest market price paid to [illegible]
G. W. WILLIAMS & SONS
[illegible]

A DELIGHTFUL
Sparkling Beverage.
—NON-INTOXICATING.—
MASON'S
ENGLISH
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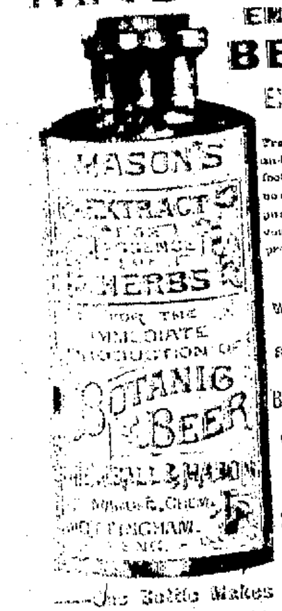

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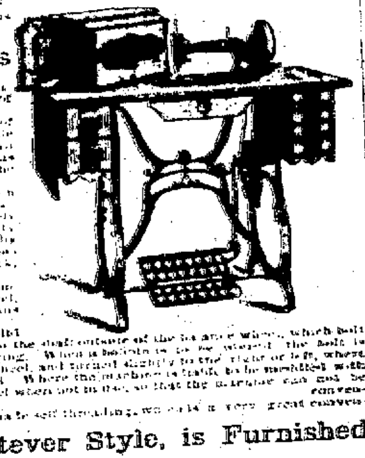

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In Pomologist Van Deman's last annual report to the secretary of agriculture he calls attention to the growing importance of nut culture in general and that of the chestnut in particular. He says: Among the native nuts there are perhaps none of more importance than the chestnut. It grows naturally over a large part of the United States, beginning with Kentucky and Ohio, reaching northeast to the boundary and eastward to the Atlantic ocean. The wild nut is exceedingly rich in flavor and very sweet. In these respects it is superior to the European or the Asiatic strains. Moreover our native chestnut seems to thrive much better than the foreign varieties, but in the size of nuts the latter have the advantage. A number of varieties of our American species have been brought to notice, and are now propagated by grafting and budding, showing signs of a decided improvement as compared with the ordinary kinds found in the forests.

There are in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Eastern Tennessee and the mountain regions of the Carolinas and northern Georgia, and all that part of our country lying northward of the states named except in northern New York and a part of the New England states, where the climate is not suitable, large tracts of lands now yielding small returns which might be profitable if planted with chestnuts. Many old worn out fields which are practically worthless in their present condition might be thus turned to good account. The timber would be commercially valuable, but the nuts would bring much larger returns to the owner. Once started and cultivated for a few years, until they begin to shade the ground, the trees would require very little further attention except to thin them out. As an article of food the chestnut is very valuable, but at present the prices are very high. Even the common nuts from ungrafted trees would repay the use of the land, but it would be much better to plant only grafted trees of the choicer varieties.

Perhaps the most valuable variety yet introduced is the Paragon, about the origin of which little appears to be known. The leaves differ slightly from those of our native species, and some growers think this variety may have some foreign stock in it. It was first brought to notice by H. M. Engle, of Pennsylvania. On his grounds the Paragon has proven thrifty, bearing abundantly and at an early age nuts quite large, averaging in some instance an ounce in weight. A variety named Dupont has been received from Delaware and is a pure native seedling without doubt. The original tree, near Dover, Del., is said to have borne from thirty to forty dollars worth of nuts annually for years past. The nut is almost as large as the Paragon and fully equal to it in flavor.

Importance of Testing Cows.

A very striking instance of the difference in cows, where to an ordinary observer they would appear to have about the same value as dairy animals, was given by Director Collier, of the New York agricultural experiment station, in his address before the Holstein Friesian association, at its fifth annual meeting. As related by the doctor, [illegible] cows, both beautiful animals and recently in milk, were tested for dairy results at the Geneva station.

At auction it is believed one would not have brought $5 more than the other. These cows stood side by side in their stalls receiving the same good care and the same food in the same quantities, but one gave, in a week's trial, [illegible] per cent more milk and [illegible] per cent more butter than did the other. Upon a second trial with a change of ration the one gave [illegible] per cent more milk and [illegible] per cent more butter than the other, and upon a third trial one gave [illegible] per cent more milk and [illegible] per cent more butter than did the other.

Upon a fourth trial the one gave [illegible] per cent more milk and [illegible] per cent more butter, and finally upon the fifth and last trial the one gave [illegible] per cent more milk and 71.5 per cent more butter. The average of the five tests shows that one gave [illegible] per cent more milk and [illegible] per cent more butter than did the other.

With such a well attested case of disparity between animals where it would scarcely be suspected, dairymen and farmers cannot be too careful in testing the individuals of their herds.

Uses for a Ten-Foot Rod.

Among the things which are found convenient in every farmer's workshop is a ten foot pole, made thus: A piece of wood, 1½ inches square and 10 feet long, is nicely smoothed with the plane and then marked as follows: One side has a mark every three feet to indicate yards, another side is marked every two feet, the third side is marked every foot, while the fourth side has feet, inches and half inches, the pocket rule furnishing the smaller subdivisions of an inch. This measure will be found useful in many places. For instance, when a small building is being started stakes are set in the ground at each corner. The proper angle of the sills may be found by measuring 8 feet on one and 6 feet on the other. Bring them together until the ten-foot pole just reaches both marks, and a right angle is the result. Again, the proper length for a post to support a low roof is quickly measured with such a pole. If a corn crib is being built, 6 feet wide at the bottom, 7 at the top and 9 feet high, the proper length of the various scantling is readily measured off. Many other uses will be suggested when this simple implement is at hand.—American Agriculturist.

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PRESERVING FERTILITY OF SOIL.

By Judicious Rotation, Plowing Under Green Crops, Etc.

Fertilizing elements exist in the forests, in mines and in the islands of the sea which can be bought and applied, but he is the best farmer who by a judicious rotation and treatment of his land crops preserves the fertility of his land at a smaller expense from the farm itself. One of the most important as well as the most costly elements of plant food is nitrogen, and in this there is liability to the greatest waste. While the air may be said to be full of it, only a few plants have the faculty of acquiring it from the atmosphere, and the manner in which it is done is not at all well understood. It is known that clover, peas and other plants, chiefly of the leguminous family, secure large quantities of the elements required for the production of other crops as well as for their own production, which renders them important agents in preserving the fertility of the soil. One great point is to preserve the nitrogen of plants for the soil and prevent its escape into the air. That soil fertility can be maintained for a series of years from the soil itself, while in the case of many crops the valuable portions have been carried off and sold, has been well demonstrated.

Red clover, pea vines, buckwheat and sweet potato vines when plowed under each and all return to the soil the valuable constituents they contain, when if left to decay on the surface much is wasted, and, if burned, the nitrogen is lost. Plants rich in nitrogen which are adapted to stock feeding should be so used and the manure be saved for the land. The vines of the garden, as soon as their usefulness is ended, should be buried in the soil and not burned.

Omitting fractions, the relative proportions of nitrogen in some of the straws as given in the tables are as follows: Wheat straw and corn stalks, each 5; buckwheat straw, pea straw and field bean are respectively 13, 10 and 16; red clover hay is 19. The potash in the ash of 1,000 pounds of these substances is: For wheat straw, 6; corn stalks, 9; buckwheat straw, 24; pea straw, 10; field beans, 18; red clover hay, 18. There is a large loss in farm fertility where the urine of the stabled animals is allowed to drain away.

Plows Versus Harrows.

"I consider a plow of first importance on the farm—of greater importance than harrow or cultivator," writes an Indiana correspondent to The Rural New Yorker. "Further, I fail to see how one of these can take the place of another. If the plow has to be used in the same year, within a reasonable period, I do not believe a harrow will do to prepare the ground for the growing of farm crops. We have used a harrow here for a number of years that has cutting, flangelike blades. The blades are flat, and scrape and cut somewhat like the hand hoe. I do not believe that the use of the new diggers and cutting harrows is to become general, unless they are used without a plow preceding them.

"In experimental work of my own I have noticed that cereals gave most favorable results where the surface soil was compacted. But I interpreted the results in this wise. The soil had been well plowed, a roller had simply compacted the soil at the surface, firming it about the seed and leaving a fairly firm wall of soil about the plant stem, to aid it in maintaining an erect position at maturity. The soil five inches below was not compacted, and in this the roots could easily spread. In conclusion I fail to see how the use of new diggers and cutting harrows is to be extended, unless the breaking up plow is to be entirely discarded."

Green Versus Dried Fodders.

In discussing the nutritive value of green and dried foods relatively it is said by the Maine station that it has been repeatedly demonstrated that carefully dried grass is as digestible after as before drying, and the same of fodder corn dried and ensilage. Experiments show that a pound of digestible matter in ensilage with its accompanying seven or eight pounds of water can do only precisely the same work as a pound of digestible material from timothy hay, with its water nearly all dried out. Science has given practice no safer or more valuable conclusion than that cattle foods have nutritive value in proportion to the digestible dry matter which they contain. There is, however, a small difference in favor of ensilage and a chance for the exercise of good judgment in combining foods.

Six Crops in Four Years.

Rural New Yorker says: The following rotation gives six crops in four years: 1. Clover and timothy, cut 1st of July. 2. Cabbage, set after grass is cut. 3. Potatoes, dug in July. 4. Rye, sown after potatoes are dug. 5. Potatoes. 6. Clover and timothy. In this case there are needed abundant supplies of manure.

Agricultural Briefs.

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When chickens are to be caught it is best to do it after they have gone to roost.

There are two or three things that might profitably be done with a "worn out orchard." It may be fertilized, it may be pruned and if something is not done to improve it it might profitably be cut down. Don't keep it for what it has been.

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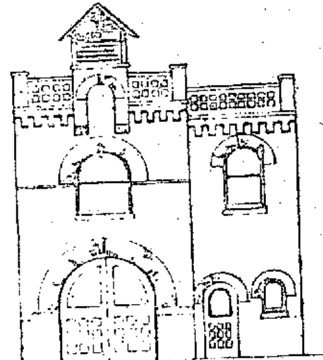

ENGINE HOUSE.

one. If it is a heavy reel or hose wagon four could be provided for by making the stall on a little smaller. Then there would be two horses for the engine and two for the hose.

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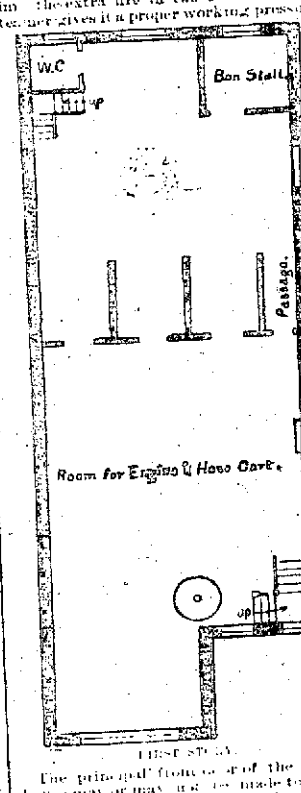

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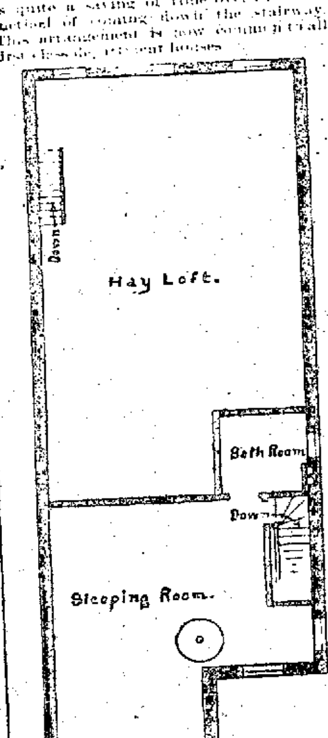
The principal front door of the engine house may [illegible] to swing open automatically. It is used only for the purpose of the passage of the fire apparatus. There is a side door for the ordinary passage of the firemen when not engaged in active duty. Between this door and the [illegible] is shown a circle, with the center marked. This circle indicates the position of a brass pole about two inches in diameter, which extends from the first up to and into the second floor. The men who live in their sleeping room above grasp the pole and slide down it into the engine room in case of an alarm. This is quite a saving of time over the usual method of coming down the stairway. This arrangement is now common in all first-class fire engine houses.



SECOND STORY.

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WESTWARD.				EASTWARD.	
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.	STATIONS.	a.m. p.m.	p.m.
6 20	11 5[illegible]	9 0[illegible]	ar..Bradford..lv	7 30 2 0[illegible]	[illegible]
5 45	11 25	8 30	..Kinzua Ju....	8 0[illegible] 2 [illegible]	5 4[illegible]
5 17	11 15	8 [illegible]	....New City......	9 00 3 07	6 [illegible]
4 50	10 59	7 5[illegible]	......Rixford......	9 12 3 [illegible]	6 [illegible]
4 45	10 51	7 [illegible]	..Duke Centre..	9 27 3 3[illegible]	6 [illegible]
4 25	10 35	7 [illegible]	....Eldred......	[illegible]	[illegible]
			B. E. & C. R. R.		
3 4[illegible]	9 5[illegible]		......Ceres......	10 5[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		..Little Genesee	11 0[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		..Lv. Bolivar, Ar.	11 1[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		....Allentown....	11 4[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]		..lv Wellsville ar	12 [illegible]	[illegible]
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.		a.m. p.m.	
p.m.	p.m.	a.m.		a.m. p.m.	p.m.
6 2[illegible]	[illegible]	9 0[illegible]	ar..Bradford..lv	7 [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	8 3[illegible]	Kinzua Junct'n	8 3[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	......Aiken......	8 3[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	......Davis......	8 4[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	....Simpsons....	8 5[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	......Ormsby......	9 0[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	7 2[illegible]	....Smethport....	9 2[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	..Mt. Jewett..	9 3[illegible]	[illegible]
4 0[illegible]	[illegible]	6 4[illegible]	......Kane......	10 [illegible]	[illegible]

JNO. C. McKENNA,
Superintendent.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday, [illegible] 20, 1887.

AR.	EASTW'D.		STATIONS.	LV. WESTW'D.		
A.M.	P.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.	
11.07	8.24	1.17	....Coudersport....	8.00	1.12	[illegible]
11.02	8.20	1.13	....Hammonds....	8.04	1.16	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	1.06	....Fish Basket....	8.07	1.2[illegible]	[illegible]
10.51	[illegible]	1.03	......Olmsted......	8.12	1.21	[illegible]
10.46	8.17	1.00	......Nelsons......	8.17	1.2[illegible]	[illegible]
10.38	8.09	12.52	......Knowlton......	8.24	1.3[illegible]	[illegible]
10.31	8.03	12.45	......Roulette......	8.31	1.46	[illegible]
10.26	7.59	12.40	Pomeroy Bridge	8.36	1.51	[illegible]
10.16	7.51	12.31	......Burtville......	8.45	2.00	[illegible]
10.06	7.45	12.23	......Coleman......	8.54	2.10	[illegible]
10.00	7.40	12.17	..Port Allegany..	9.00	2.15	[illegible]

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PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect May 11, 1890.
TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION
EASTWARD.

8:25, a. m.—Day Express, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 p. m., New York 9:35 p. m., Baltimore 6:45 p. m., Washington, 8:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport to Philadelphia.

8:25 p. m.—Erie Mail, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Phila., New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 a. m., New York 9:30 a. m., Baltimore 8:45 a. m., Washington 7:30 a. m. Through Pullman sleeping cars are run on this train from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg and through passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and from Williamsport to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

10:25 a. m.—Erie Mail daily for Erie and intermediate stations with through Pullman Palace car and through passenger coaches to Erie.

7:33 p. m.—Niagara Express, daily except Sunday for Kane and intermediate stations with through passenger coaches to Kane.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Niagara Express leaves New York [illegible] a. m., Philadelphia 8:50 a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 7:13 p. m. with through Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport.

Erie Mail leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:25 p. m., Washington 10:50 p. m., Baltimore 11:20 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 10:25 a.m., with through Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and through passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

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